

Book Review Mini-Critique

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Title: A Constitutional Democracy

Subtitle: Voices and Votes

Author: Edward Delon

Genre: Non-Fiction – Gov/Politics



A Constitutional Democracy: Voices and Votes by Edward Delon is a comprehensive, well-researched guide to what it means to be a democratic nation, which is specifically told from an American perspective. A Constitutional Democracy details the principles of democracy and the laws and processes surrounding it. However, this book is slightly different in the sense that it combines a broad overview of a democratic system from a strictly American point of view, which includes the history of the United States and how and why democracy took hold in this nation. The book is written in a sequential manner and takes us back to the beginning of this country when the first settlers came here, their fight for independence, establishment of the Constitution, slavery and its aftermath, the Civil War, and all the way to the modern era of American politics.

A Constitutional Democracy: Voices and Votes by Edward is a book that combines elements of politics, social issues, economics, and history to give a broad view of the political background, history, and laws of the United States. The voting system is explained, along with how it came about and its history. A Constitutional Democracy also delves into the judicial system and its establishment, both at the federal and state level, and how it is inextricably tied to the political system. In the end, this is a good book for anyone interested in American politics and who wants to understand it, not only from a political perspective, but also from a social and historical one.